of the law had engendered vague fears and suspicions, and that even facts were not reported to the Press.

*The Dewan* asked whether any one had been brought to trouble unreasonably under the Press Law.

*Mr. K. S. Krishna Iyer* said that it was the fear of prosecution due to the existence of the Press Law that deterred people from writing to the papers. The lawyers did not take much interest in civic affairs and others were kept out of it through fear of the Press Law.

*Mr. K. Krishnamurthy Rao* said that on account of the Press Law information was not made available for Government or the public and that there was necessity for the Act when there was unrest in British India but that there was none now.

*Mr. B. Narasinga Rao* said that there was no necessity even then for the enactment in question.

*Mr. M. S. Ramachar* said that the people were all loyal and that therefore there was no necessity to retain the Regulation in the Statute Book. Its repeal would be a boon conferred on the people for their loyalty.

*Mr. D. Venkataramiah* represented that correspondents were suspected. No communications of public interest are sent up by district correspondents; papers are not self-supporting and therefore no one ventures to start a paper. The restrictions should be removed and the Government orders relating to districts should be supplied to the Press.

*Mr. Venkatakrishnaiya* represented that newspapers would facilitate efficiency audit and that educative knowledge could be disseminated. He also said that the greater the number of newspapers the less would be the difficulties of Government.

*Reply of Government.*—Noted for consideration. Government wish to increase the circulation of newspapers in the State.

SUBJECT NO. 4.

Amendment of the Code of Civil Procedure.

(*a*) Messrs. Chik Ramanna and Byre Gowda, Kolar taluk.

(*b*) *and* (*c*) Messrs. A. Krishna Rao, Bar Association, Mysore.

*Summary of discussion.*—(*a*) Plaintiffs are put to great loss when defendants apply for time and the distraint order becomes null and void. The Law may be amended in accordance with the old rules which were more useful and had greater operative authority.

(*b*) Order No. 21, Rule 57 of the Civil Procedure Code, may be amended by providing for the continuance of the attachment once made for a period of at least 3 years.

(*c*) The Civil Procedure Code may be amended by allowing suits against Government by private parties.

*Reply of Government.*—Noted for consideration.